

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:)
Debe, Derek A. et al.) Docket No.: 54318.8009.US01
Serial No.: 10/764,260) Conf. No.: 6173
Filed: January 22, 2004) Customer No.: 34055
For: METHOD FOR DETERMINING)
FUNCTIONAL SITES A PROTEIN)
Group Art Unit: 1631)
Examiner: Borin, Michael L.)

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

**Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Sir:

The following is in response to the office action mailed February 10, 2006. Applicants hereby request a five-month extension of time in which to reply to said office action, extending the period for reply from February 10, 2006 to August 10, 2006. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$1,080.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-2586 for the requisite fee. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees due or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2586.

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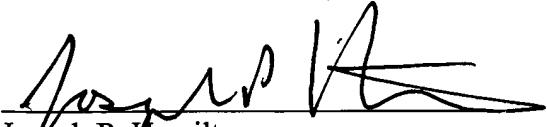
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Response dated August 10, 2006
Reply to Office Action of February 10, 2006

Applicant hereby elects Group VIII, claims 41-49, 103, without traverse.

Respectfully submitted,

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